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REMARKS

Claims 1-32 are pending in the present application. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been presented and no new issues have been raised by the present response.

The previous Office Action mailed May 12, 2004 stated that the application contains claims directed to patentably distinct species of the claimed invention shown in Figs. 2-7. Furthermore, the Examiner indicated that no claims are generic. In the reply filed July 9, 2004, Applicants elected the specie shown in Figs. 2 and 3 and claims 1-32 readable thereon, with traverse.

The present Office Action states that the response of July 9, 2004 was not fully responsive because it did not contain an election to any one of Figs. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7.

Accordingly, Applicants hereby elect the specie shown in Fig. 2 and claims 1-32 readable thereon, with traverse, as required by the present Office Action.

Applicant respectfully resubmits that Figs. 2 and 3 are believed to be directed to the same specie, as Fig. 2 illustrates plural commission rates and Fig. 3 also illustrates plural commission rates. Furthermore, Applicants respectfully resubmit that the Listing of Claims is believed to include at least one generic claim, including claim 16. It

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is also expressly requested that if a generic claim is presented and held to be allowable, claims directed to additional species be considered as provided by 37 CFR § 1.141.

This communication is believed to be fully responsive to the Office Action. If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the present application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

If any additional fee is due in connection with the present response, the Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge the requisite fee to our deposit account number 02-0393.

Prompt and favorable examination is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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